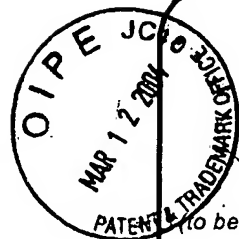


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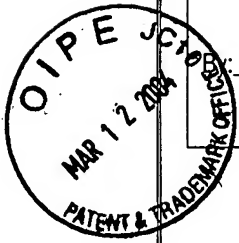
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**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 29, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- 1) A petition to extend the period of response for three months; and
- 2) Copy of revise first page of IDS.

Please amend the specification and/or claims as shown herein.